

COMMUNION SERVICE

Northampton Presbyterian Church

Pentecost Sunday

June 5, 2022

10:00 AM



PRELUDE

Breathe

ARR: CRAIG CURRY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Outreach Survey Discussion, today following the service.
- In-reach/Outreach Committee, Monday (6/6) at 11 AM.
- Mission Committee, Monday (6/6) at 7 PM.
- Men's Breakfast, Wednesday (6/8) at 8:30 AM, at Robin Hood.
- Session Retreat, moved to Saturday (6/11) at 8:45 AM.
- Women's Picnic, Tuesday (6/14) at 12 PM, at the home of Elva Naphy (please RSVP by 6/12 to 215-968-5693 or enaphy@verizon.net).

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: God of wind and fire,

MANY: When you send your Spirit, we are created anew.

ONE: God of mighty oceans and still waters,

MANY: When we receive your baptism, we are born anew.

ONE: God of bread and wine,

MANY: When we eat at your table, we are nourished anew.

ONE: So pour out your Spirit,

MANY: Let sacred waters flow,

ONE: Fill us with holy food.

MANY: May our hearts and our hands be open wide to receive your gifts of life. Amen.

HYMN

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

EBENEZER

**Come, O Spirit, dwell among us;
Come with Pentecostal power;
Give the church a stronger vision;
Help us face each crucial hour.
Built upon a firm foundation,
Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,
Still the church is called to mission
That God's love shall be made known.**

**We would raise our alleluias
For the grace of yesteryears;
For tomorrow's unknown pathway,
Hear, O Lord, our humble prayers.
In the church's pilgrim journey
You have led us all the way;
Still in presence move before us,
Fire by night and cloud by day.**

**Come, O Spirit, dwell among us;
Give us words of fire and flame.
Help our feeble lips to praise you,
Glorify your holy name.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Three in one: what mystery!
We would sing our loud hosannas
Now and through eternity.**

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ONE: For ignoring the vision breathed by the living Spirit churning deep within our souls;

MANY: Lord have mercy, have mercy upon us.

ONE: For refusing to look at the vision alive within those who look or act or sound different from us;

MANY: Christ have mercy, have mercy upon us.

ONE: For choosing familiarity, ease, and comfort rather than risking the opportunities afforded in the vision;

MANY: Lord have mercy, have mercy upon us.

(We pause for a moment of silent, personal confession).

RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ONE: Hear the great good news of our faith: the Spirit is alive! Breathe, children of God, breathe the fresh winds of the Spirit. Taste, children of God, taste the quenching waters of God's love. Touch, children of God, touch the heat of God's passion for justice.

MANY: Amen!

HYMN

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me *GLORY TO GOD*

**Glory to God,
Whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son,
Whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit,
Whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end,
Without end. Amen.**

**World without end,
Without end. Amen.**

**World without end,
Without end. Amen.**

**As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 11:1-9

READER'S THEATER

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

What's the Difference?

Rev. Judith A. Dwyer

HYMN

God of Great and God of Small

GREAT AND SMALL

**God of great and God of small,
God of one and God of all,
God of weak and God of strong,
God to whom all things belong,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.**

**God of land and sky and sea,
God of life and destiny,
God of never-ending power,
Yet beside me every hour,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.**

**God of silence, God of sound,
God by whom the lost are found,
God of day and darkest night,
God whose love turns wrong to right,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.**

**God of heaven and God of earth,
God of death and God of birth,
God of now and days before,
God who reigns forevermore,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.**

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

No Greater Love

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DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation

Distribution of the Elements

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Spirit of God, who fed the multitudes, provided the manna in the wilderness, and blessed the elements, we give great thanks for the meal eaten and the company surrounding us. Especially this day we thank you for Aimee and the gift of music she has brought to this place. We ask your blessing on her as she enters into a season

of transition and well-earned rest. Hold her family and loved ones in the palm of your hand, and guide us in our own season of transition and change.

Inspire us as we move forward this day and encourage us to transform our dreams into reality. Now we pray as Jesus prayed with his disciples: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

PENTECOST

**Every time I feel the Spirit
Moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit
Moving in my heart I will pray.**

**Upon the mountain, when my Lord spoke,
Out of God's mouth came fire and smoke.
Looked all around me, it looked so fine,
Till I asked my Lord if all was mine.**

**Every time I feel the Spirit
Moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit
Moving in my heart I will pray.**

**Jordan River, chilly and cold,
It chills the body, but not the soul.
There is but one train upon this track.
It runs to heaven and then right back.**

**Every time I feel the Spirit
Moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit
Moving in my heart I will pray.**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Holy

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WORSHIP NOTES:

The **Call to Worship** is written by Joanna Harader and posted on Spacious Faith.

<https://spaciousfaith.com>

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